# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

| IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION  | MDL No. 2323  |
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| THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:  Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long- Form Complaint and (if applicable) Robert Holt, et al.  v. National Football League [et al.], No. 2:12-CV-4185-AB | SHORT FORM COMPLAINT IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION  JURY TRIAL DEMANDED |

## **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), <u>Dale Dodrill</u>, (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) <u>Janette Dodrill</u>, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this short form complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4.

[Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacity as the

| of Dale Dodrill, having been duly appointed as the  |  |  |
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| by the Court of (Cross out  |  |  |
| sentence below if not applicable.) Copies of the Letters of Administration/Letters Testamentary   |  |  |
| for a wrongful death claim are annexed hereto if such Letters are required for the commencement   |  |  |
| of such a claim by the Probate, Surrogate or other appropriate court of the jurisdiction of the   |  |  |
| <del>decedent.</del>  |  |  |
| 5. Plaintiff, <u>Dale Dodrill</u> , is a resident and citizen of                                  |  |  |
| Lakewood, CO and claims damages as set forth below.   |  |  |
| 6. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse, Janette Dodrill, is a resident and                 |  |  |
| citizen of Lakewood, CO, and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium                     |  |  |
| proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent.                        |  |  |
| 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive,                   |  |  |
| traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices.        |  |  |
| On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from symptoms of brain injury |  |  |
| caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff   |  |  |
| (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief,             |  |  |
| the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed   |  |  |
| and continue to develop over time.  |  |  |
| 8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed        |  |  |
| in Eastern District of Pennsylvania . If the case is remanded, it should be remanded to           |  |  |
| Eastern District of Pennsylvania .  |  |  |

| 9.  | Plaint       | iff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:           |
|---|--------------|---|
|   | <b>✓</b>     | Injury to Herself/Himself   |
|   |              | Injury to the Person Represented                                    |
|   |              | Wrongful Death  |
|   |              | Survivorship Action   |
|   | $\checkmark$ | Economic Loss   |
|   |              | Loss of Services  |
|   | $\checkmark$ | Loss of Consortium  |
| 10.   | [Fill i      | n if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,        |
| Dale Dodrill  |              | , Plaintiff's Spouse, Janette Dodrill, suffers from a               |
| loss of conso   | rtium, i     | ncluding the following injuries:                                    |
| <b>√</b> lo   | ss of m      | arital services;  |
| <b>√</b> lo   | ss of co     | empanionship, affection or society;                                 |
| loss of support; and  |              |   |
| monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to expend for the |              |   |
| health  | n care ar    | nd personal care of her husband.                                    |
| 11.   | [Chec        | ck if applicable] Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) |
| reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.                         |              |   |

## **DEFENDANTS**

| 12.   | Plainti   | ff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the  |  |
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| following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:                         |           |  |  |
|   | <b>✓</b>  | National Football League   |  |
|   | <b>√</b>  | NFL Properties, LLC  |  |
|   |           | Riddell, Inc.  |  |
|   |           | All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.)               |  |
|   |           | Riddell Sports Group, Inc.   |  |
|   |           | Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.   |  |
|   |           | Easton-Bell Sports, LLC  |  |
|   |           | EB Sports Corporation  |  |
|   |           | RBG Holdings Corporation   |  |
| 13.   | [Chec     | k where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above  |  |
| the claims asserted are: design defect; informational defect; manufacturing defect. |           |  |  |
| 14.   | [Chec     | k if applicable] The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets      |  |
| designed and  | or man    | ufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or |  |
| decedent) pla   | yed in t  | he NFL and/or AFL.   |  |
| 15.   | Plaint    | iff played in [check if applicable]  the National Football League          |  |
| ("NFL") and/  | or in [cl | heck if applicable] the American Football League ("AFL") during            |  |

| 1951 to 1959    | _            | for the following teams:  |
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| Pittsburgh St   | eelers       |   |
|                 |              |   |
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|                 |              | CAUSES OF ACTION  |
| 16.             | Plaint       | iff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master     |
| Administrativ   | e Long       | -Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by   |
| reference in tl | hose Co      | ounts [check all that apply]:   |
|                 | <b>√</b>     | Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL)) |
|                 | $\checkmark$ | Count II (Medical Monitoring (Against the NFL))                       |
|                 |              | Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions (Against the NFL))     |
|                 | <b>√</b>     | Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment (Against the NFL))                   |
|                 | $\checkmark$ | Count V (Fraud (Against the NFL))                                     |
|                 | $\checkmark$ | Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation (Against the NFL))              |
|                 | $\checkmark$ | Count VII (Negligence Pre-1968 (Against the NFL))                     |
|                 |              | Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 (Against the NFL))                   |
|                 |              | Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 (Against the NFL))                     |
|                 | <b>/</b>     | Count X (Negligence Post-1994 (Against the NFL))                      |

|      | $\checkmark$ | Count XI (Loss of Consortium (Against the NFL and Riddell Defendants))                |
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|      | $\checkmark$ | Count XII (Negligent Hiring (Against the NFL))  |
|      | $\checkmark$ | Count XIII (Negligent Retention (Against the NFL))                                    |
|      |              | Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))       |
|      |              | Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants)) |
|      |              | Count XVI (Failure to Warn (Against the Riddell Defendants))                          |
|      |              | Count XVII (Negligence (Against the Riddell Defendants))                              |
|      | <b>✓</b>     | Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment (Against All NFL Defendants))    |
| 17.  | Plain        | tiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or attach]:          |
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### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

### **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

s/J. Gordon Rudd, Jr.
[signature block]

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